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## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 16 further comprising:

at least one keyboard foot coupled to an edge of the keyboard and being movable between an inclined position with the keyboard foot extending downward from the edge below a bottom of the keyboard and a neutral position with the keyboard foot disposed adjacent the edge above the bottom of the keyboard.

- 2. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 1 wherein the keyboard foot is rotatably coupled to the edge of the keyboard by a hinge to rotate between the inclined position and the neutral position.
- 3. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 1 wherein the edge is a rear edge of the keyboard.
- 4. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 1 wherein the keyboard foot folds onto the edge of the keyboard in the neutral position.
- 5. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 1 comprising a plurality of keyboard feet.
  - 6. (canceled)
  - 7. (canceled)
  - 8. (canceled)

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- 9. (canceled)
- 10. (canceled)
- 11. (canceled)
- 12. (canceled)
- 13. (canceled)
- 14. (canceled)
- 15. (canceled)
- 16. (original) A keyboard for a computer, the keyboard comprising:
  a user-manipulable volume control dial disposed on a keyboard surface of the keyboard for controlling an audio volume of the computer, the volume control dial including a cylinder having an undulating surface and an axis generally perpendicular to the keyboard surface; and
- a spring being biased against the undulating surface of the cylinder to produce a ratcheting movement of the cylinder during rotation of the cylinder to provide tactile user feedback.
- 17. (original) The keyboard of claim 16 wherein the spring includes a cylindrical portion in contact with the undulating surface of the cylinder.
- 18. (original) The keyboard of claim 16 wherein the volume control dial is movable toward and away from the keyboard surface, and the spring biases the volume control dial away from the keyboard surface.
- 19. (original) The keyboard of claim 16 wherein the volume control dial is preformed and attached as a preformed module to the keyboard.

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20. (original) The keyboard of claim 16 wherein the cylinder includes a plurality of slits, and further comprising:

a photoemitter mounted on a first side of the cylinder to direct light through the slits in the cylinder; and

a photodetector mounted on a second side of the cylinder, opposite from the photoemitter, to detect light from the photoemitter passing through the slits in the cylinder.

21. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 16 further comprising:
a plurality of keys having key mechanisms connected thereto;
an opaque keyboard frame placed over the key mechanisms to cover at least a
substantial portion of the key mechanisms, the plurality of keys protruding through openings of
the opaque keyboard frame; and

a translucent top case placed over the opaque keyboard frame, the plurality of keys protruding through openings of the translucent top case.

- 22. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 21 wherein the opaque keyboard frame has a generally smooth upper surface visible through the translucent top case.
- 23. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 21 further comprising at least one module protruding through openings of the translucent top case.
- 24. (withdrawn) The keyboard of claim 23 wherein the at least one module includes at least one of a roller module and a multi-media module.
- 25. (new) The keyboard of claim 16 further comprising a small cylinder which is smaller than the cylinder of the volume control dial, the small cylinder being attached to the spring to contact the undulating surface.